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| <i>In re</i> Patent |                                   |             |                   |
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a two-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a) to respond to the Office Action mailed on January 6, 2005 in connection with the above-identified application. If further extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). Enclosed is a check for the amount of \$225 for the two-month extension of time fee. Please charge any fees required for further extensions of time and credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 503310.

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